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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 10-Aug-02 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 08/10/02	PREVIOUS WEEK 08/03/02
BRO-FRY	162,678	162,779
LT HENS	1,498	1,780
HVY HENS	1,662	1,615

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEKS ENDING 03-Aug-02 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	258	27	285
LAST WEEK	302	33	335
SAME WK YR AGO	336	12	348
TO DATE 2002	9,665	208	9,873
TO DATE 2001	14,279	216	14,495

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SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,891	1,587	3,478
LAST WEEK	2,131	1,569	3,700
SAME WK YR AGO	1,933	1,524	3,457
TO DATE 2002	64,426	42,268	106,694
TO DATE 2001	69,149	42,602	111,751

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 02-Aug-02 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	157,689 (A)	1,633	1,560	3,193
AVG WT	4.99	3.48	7.78	5.58
LAST WEEK	161,236	1,829	1,536	3,365
SAME WEEK YR AGO	156,964	1,597	1,512	3,109
AVG WT	5.09	3.45	7.91	5.62
TO-DATE/2002	4,794,474	54,761	42,060	96,821
TO-DATE/2001	4,742,162	54,870	42,386	97,256

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 162.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 159.6 million head or -2.9 million head less than or 99% percent of estimated fryers available.

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**YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING July 27, 2002**

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
HEAD	20,046	20,367	28,940
AVG WEIGHT	3.88	4.87	5.97
% OF TOTAL /1	29%	29%	42%
COMPARISONS			
LAST WEEK	28,168	26,555	39,192
AVG WEIGHT	3.85	4.75	6.14
% OF TOTAL /1	30%	28%	42%
SAME WEEK, YR AGO /2	31,840	30,647	40,955
AVG WEIGHT	3.79	4.79	6.00
% OF TOTAL /1	31%	30%	40%
TO DATE/2002	849,327	717,212	1,360,641
TO DATE/2001	978,993	809,217	1,331,668

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 03-Aug-02
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,937	2,875	58	3	4,873
AVG WT	15.61	34.03	23.27	22.84	26.58
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS					
LAST WEEK	1,928	3,182	53	3	5,166
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,091	2,985	82	14	5,172
AVG WT	15.60	33.64	24.41	27.19	26.18
TO-DATE/2002	56,354	83,465	1,475	238	141,532
TO-DATE/2001	61,994	83,159	1,261	375	146,789

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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